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FIELD NOTES/ADD 1

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR CURTIS COOPER, DIV. 1. STOCKHOLM, DEC. 26:

ON DEC. 2, I HELPED PULL A WINTERVILLE MAN FROM THE WATER OF ST. FROID LAKE AFTER HE HAD FALLEN THROUGH THE ICE. HE AND A COMPANION WERE ATTEMPTING TO CROSS THE LAKE AFTER THEIR CHAIN SHAW HAD BROKEN DOWN. IT WAS EXTREMELY FOGGY THAT MORNING, AND HALF OF THE LAKE WAS FREE OF ICE. THE MAN SAID AFTERWARD THAT HE COULD SEE WHAT LOOKED LIKE OPEN WATER, BUT HE THOUGHT IT WAS WATER ON TOP OF THE ICE. HE PROCEEDED TO WALK TO WITHIN 75 FEET OF OPEN WATER AND FELL THROUGH ABOUT  $1\frac{1}{2}$  INCHES OF SOFT ICE. HE WAS PULLING A DRAY WITH HIS SAW TIED ON IT. HE MANAGED TO GET HIMSELF WRAPPED AROUND THE DRAY WHICH KEPT HIM AFLOAT. HIS PARTNER, WHO WAS BEHIND HIM ON A PAIR OF SKIS, MANAGED TO STAY ON TOP AND WAS PICKED UP AFTER THE MAN.

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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR WALLACE BARRON, DIV. J. BINGHAM, DEC. 30:

WARDEN NORMAN HARRIMAN, ROCKWOOD: VERY LITTLE INTEREST IN SMELT FISHING AT BRASSUA LAKE; ONLY ONE HOUSE ON THE LAKE SO FAR. THERE IS FOUR TO FIVE INCHES OF ICE. THERE HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE EARLY BEAVER TRAPPING SEASON, AND WE FEEL THAT MANY OF THE NUISANCE BEAVER ARE BEING TAKEN. THE TRAPPERS REPORT QUITE A BIT OF OPEN WATER TRAPPING DURING THE WARM WEATHER.